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SUBJECT: BG TEFERI BENTI, NEW PMAC CHAIRMAN

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1. RADIO ETHIOPIA, NOV. 28 1400 HRS. LOCAL AMHARIC NEWSCAST

ANNOUNCED THAT BG TEFERI BENTI WAS SWORN IN AS NEW PMAC CHAIRMAN THIS MORNING (NOV. 28). ANNOUNCEMENT SAID THAT PMAC HAD ELECTED HIM TO THIS POST "BY HIGHEST VOTE."

2. CHAIRMAN TEFERI IS 53. HE WAS PREVIOUSLY COMMANDER OF THE SECOND DIVISION. ALL BIO NOT YET AVAILABLE TO DEPARTMENT TO BE SUPPLIED SOONEST.

3. ANNOUNCEMENT ONLY MENTIONED PMAC CHAIRMANSHIP. IT HAD NOTHING TO SAY ABOUT THE LATE LG AMAN'S OTHER POSITIONS, VIZ. ACTING CHIEF OF STATE, THE CABINET CHAIRMANSHIP AND THE DEFENSE

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PORTFOLIO.

4. ACCORDING MOFA'S AMERICAN AFFAIRS DIRECTOR, WE SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE GUIDED BY PROCLAMATION #2, ARTICLES 2, 3 AND 8 OF 1974 INSO FAR AS THE DIRG-AS-SOVEREIGN IS CONCERNED. DIRECTOR NOTED, IN THIS CONNECTION THAT ARTICLE 2 IN ENGLISH MISTRANSLATES AMHARIC AS "HEAD OF GOVERNMENT".

IT SHOULD BE "HEAD OF STATE." WYMAN

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